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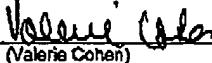
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For: **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR
HOLDING AND POSITIONING
SEMICONDUCTOR WORKPIECES DURING
ELECTROPOLISHING AND/OR
ELECTROPLATING OF THE WORKPIECES**

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests consideration and entry of this Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned patent application.

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